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IN THE ABSTRACT:

Please amend the abstract of the disclosure as follows:

Sealing band ~~(9)~~ for a projectile ~~(1)~~, the band being characterised characterized in that it comprises a front sub-band ~~(11)~~ containing at least two sectors, the sub-band having at least a conical profile ~~(13a, 13b)~~ in a tight fit with the matching profile ~~(14a, 14b)~~ of a groove of the projectile, the cone tip being placed towards a rear section of the projectile, with the sub-band ~~(11)~~ attached to the projectile by a cylindrical skirt ~~(12)~~.